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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: WESTERN ELECTRIC

REF: STATE 165657

1. AHMAD YUSUF BEHBEHANI IS NOT AGENT FOR L. M. ERICSSON. ERICSSON HAS AN OFFICE IN KUWAIT AND IS REPRESENTED BY MORAD Y. BEHBEHANI, BROTHER OF AHMAD. AHMAD WAS MANAGER OF MORAD Y. BEHBEHANI UNTIL 1977. NOW AHMAD IS CONCENTRATING ON HIS OWN COMPANY. HE IS AGENT FOR JOHNS MANVILLE AND SOME SWISS AND FRENCH WATCH MANUFACTURERS. FINANCIAL SOURCES CONSIDER BOTH BEHBEHANI FIRMS TO BE OF LARGE MEANS AND GOOD REPUTATION.

2. BALASEM IS OWNED BY 16 MEMBERS OF THE RULING FAMILY, FIVE ARE CHILDREN OF THE LATE AMIR. CAPITAL IS KD 2,400,000. (1 KD EQUALS APPROXIMATELY \$3.65) COMPANY CONCENTRATED ON REAL ESTATE AND INVESTMENTS WHEN ESTABLISHED. IN 1977 THEY STARTED EXPANDING TO TRADE AND CONTRACTING. THEY DO NOT REPRESENT COMMUNICATION COMPANIES.

3. YUSUF AHMAD ALGHANEM AND SONS (WTD 9/77), KUWAIT'S LARGEST FIRM, REPRESENTS N. V. PHILIPS OF HOLLAND FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.  
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